

Draft Nationwide Permits Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement

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Abstract

Use of nationwide permits helps the Corps to provide strong protection of the Nation's aquatic environment, including wetlands in an efficient manner enabling it to prioritize work based on the quality of affected aquatic systems and the specific impacts of a proposed project. This Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) analyzes the nationwide permit impacts on the nation's aquatic ecosystems and human communities and impacts by procedural alternatives. This PEIS also identifies deficiencies in the program. Addressing these deficiencies would address environmental and social concerns and values while meeting administrative objectives and minimizing economic concerns.

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